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Sri M. S. SELVARAJAN : Sir, as a part of the development of this port, is it a fact that Athoor—Punnakayal road is also going to be improved by the Government? If so, to what extent the Fisheries Department is going to contribute for the work?

The Hon. Sri N. NALLASENAPATHI SARKARAI MANRADIAR : Sir, I want a separate question.

Taluk headquarters hospital for Paramakudi

* 98 *Q.*—Sri C. SRINIVASAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state when the construction of taluk headquarters hospital for Paramakudi will be completed?

The Hon. Srimathi JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM : The acquisition of lands for the construction of hospital buildings at Paramakudi has not been finalized. Plans and estimates for the work are also under examination. The work will be taken up after the lands are taken possession of and the plans and estimates are approved by the Government.

திரு. செ. சீனிவாசன் : அமைச்சர் அவர்களுக்கு, தற்போது கட்ட உத்தேசித்திருக்கும் இடத்திற்குப் பக்கத்திலே ஒரு இடம் இருப்பது தெரியுமா?

கனம் திருமதி ஜோதி வெங்கடாசலம் : அங்கத்தினர் அவர்கள் கேட்ட கேள்விக்குத் தக்கவாறு அந்த லாண்டை அக்வயர் செய்ய நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. பக்கத்து நிலத்தைப் பற்றிய தகவல் இல்லை.

Education and general purposes committees

* 99 *Q.*—Sri R. S. VEERAPPA CHETTIAR : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state the powers and functions of the Education and General Purposes Committees of Panchayat Union Councils constituted under the Panchayats Act of 1958?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Function or duty to be assigned to these committees has not been specified in the Madras Panchayats Act, 1958. However, as these names indicate, the Education Committee is to deal with the Panchayat Union's responsibilities in the development of elementary education and the general purposes committee is to deal with the Panchayat Union's local administrative duties.

Sri C. CHIRANJEEVULU NAIDU : Sir, may I know whether the powers vested with the panchayat union are statutory?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Powers have not been defined in the Act.